Order 2000-2-17



Served: February 14, 2000



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D.C.

Issued by the Department of Transportation on the 14th day of February, 2000

Application of

ATLANTIC COAST JET, INC.

Docket OST-99-6249 ~ //

for a certificate of public convenience and necessity under 49 U.S.C. 41102 to engage in interstate scheduled air transportation of persons, property and mail

FINAL ORDER MAKING FITNESS DETERMINATION AND ISSUING CERTIFICATE

By Order 2000-1-25, issued January 28, 2000, we directed all interested persons to show cause why we should not make final our tentative findings and conclusions stated in it and award a certificate of public convenience and necessity to Atlantic Coast Jet, Inc., authorizing it to engage in interstate scheduled air transportation of persons, property and mail. Interested persons were given 14 days to file objections to the order.

No objections to the show-cause order were received within the answer period provided.

ACCORDINGLY,

- 1. We find that Atlantic Coast Jet, Inc., is fit, willing, and able to engage in interstate scheduled air transportation of persons, property, and mail.
- 2. We issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity to Atlantic Coast Jet, Inc., authorizing it to engage in interstate scheduled air transportation in the form and subject to the Terms, Conditions, and Limitations attached.

- 3. We direct that, once its certificate becomes effective, should Atlantic Coast Jet, Inc., propose to utilize more than 20 regional aircraft in its operations, it must notify the Department in writing at least 45 days in advance of any such event, and demonstrate its continuing fitness.
- 4. We direct that, once its certificate becomes effective, Atlantic Coast Jet, Inc., shall submit to the Air Carrier Fitness Division a first-year progress report, as described in this order, within 45 days following the end of its first year of actual flight operations. 1
- 5. We will serve a copy of this order on the persons listed in Attachment A to this order.

By:

A. BRADLEY MIMS

Deputy Assistant Secretary for

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs

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¹ The report should include a description of the carrier's current operations (number and type of aircraft, principal markets served, total number of full-time and part-time employees), a summary of how these operations have changed during the year, a discussion of any changes it anticipates from its current operations during its second year, current financial statements, and a listing of current senior management and key technical personnel.



Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Interstate Air Transportation

This Certifies That

ATLANTIC COAST JET, INC.

is authorized, subject to the provisions of Subtitle VII of Title 49 of United States Code, the orders, rules, and regulations issued thereunder, and the attached Terms, Conditions, and Limitations, to engage in interstate air transportation of persons, property, and mail.

This Certificate is not transferable without the approval of the Department of Transportation.

By Direction of the Secretary

Issued by Order 2000-2-17 On February 14, 2000 Effective on (see attached) A. Bradley Mims

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Aviation
and International Affairs



Terms, Conditions, and Limitations

ATLANTIC COAST JET, INC.

is authorized to engage in interstate air transportation of persons, property, and mail between any point in any State, territory, or possession of the United States or the District of Columbia, and any other point in any of those entities.

This authority is subject to the following provisions:

- (1) The authority to operate under this certificate will not become effective until six (business) days after the Department has received the following documents; provided, however, that the Department may stay the effectiveness of this authority at any time prior to that date:
 - (a) A copy of the holder's Air Carrier Certificate and Operations Specifications authorizing such operations from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).
 - (b) A certificate of insurance on OST Form 6410 evidencing liability insurance coverage meeting the requirements of 14 CFR 205.5(b) for all of its aircraft.
 - (c) A statement of any changes the holder has undergone in its ownership, key personnel, operating plans, financial posture, or compliance history, since the date of the Show Cause Order in this case.
- (2) Pending receipt of effective authority, the holder may not accept payment of any kind (i.e., cash, check, or credit card) or issue tickets for the operations proposed under this certificate, and any advertisement or listing of flights by the holder must prominently state: "This service is subject to receipt of government operating authority."
- (3) The holder shall at all times conduct its operations in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the Department of Transportation for the services authorized by this certificate, and with such other reasonable terms, conditions, and limitations as the Department of Transportation may prescribe in the public interest.
- (4) The holder's authority is effective only to the extent that such operations are also authorized by the FAA.

- (5) The holder shall at all times remain a "Citizen of the United States" as required by 49 U.S.C. 40102(a)(15).
- (6) The holder shall maintain in effect liability insurance coverage as required under 14 CFR Part 205. Failure to maintain such insurance coverage will render a certificate ineffective, and this or other failure to comply with the provisions of Subtitle VII of Title 49 of the United States Code or the Department's regulations shall be sufficient grounds to revoke this certificate.
- (7) In the event that the holder receives effective scheduled passenger authority, the following additional conditions will apply:
 - (a) The holder may reduce or terminate service at any point or between any two points, subject to compliance with the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 41734 and all orders and regulations issued by the Department of Transportation under that section.
 - (b) The holder may not provide scheduled passenger air transportation to or from Dallas (Love Field), Texas, except within the limits set forth in section 29 of the International Air Transportation Competition Act of 1979, as amended by section 337 of the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998.
- (8) Should the holder propose any substantial changes in its ownership, management, or operations (as that term is defined in 14 CFR 204.2(n)), it must first comply with the requirements of 14 CFR 204.5.
- (9) In the event that the holder does not commence actual flying operations under this certificate within one year of the date of the Department's determination of its fitness, its authority shall be revoked for dormancy. Further, in the event that the holder commences operations for which it was found "fit, willing, and able" and subsequently ceases all such operations, its authority under this certificate shall be suspended under the terms of 14 CFR 204.7 and the holder may neither recommence nor advertise such operations unless its fitness to do so has been redetermined by the Department. Moreover, if the holder does not resume operations within one year of its cessation, its authority shall be revoked for dormancy.



(10) The effectiveness of the authority contained in this certificate is conditioned upon the holder's continuing existence as a wholly owned subsidiary of Atlantic Coast Airlines Holdings, Inc., and its operation under the terms of the Delta Connection code-sharing agreement with Delta Air Lines, Inc.

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